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COUNCIL AGENDA:

October 3, 2005

TO:

City Council

FROM:

Dennis R. Halloway, City Manager

Bond issues:

SUBJECT:

Bond issuance costs

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the fee for bond issuance remain unchanged.

BACKGROUND

In 1984 the City Council approved a policy establishing a bond issuance fee for outside agencies of 1 % for new issues and 1/4 % on refunding issues. The policy was subsequently revised to clarify some language in 1993.

Currently, the Loma Linda University Medical Center (LLUMC) is proposing to do a \$158 million dollar bond issue. Based on the existing policy the city's fee for the issue is \$395,000. Other city related costs to LLUMC are Bond Counsel \$250,000 and Financial Advisor \$60,000.

LLUMC has requested that the city and its consultants reduce the fees by 1/2. I have told LLUMC that the consultant fees are based upon the amount of time spent and that we do not control those costs. I also spoke to both consultants have indicated that they will not reduce their fees.

ANALYSIS

In speaking with our Bond Counsel I was informed that our fee is not out of line. I was also informed that some agencies charge less up front but the charge an annual fee.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

If approved it would reduce the fee by \$197,500.